

## 2005-2006 ACF Region III Head Start/Fatherhood Conference Series



### **REMINDER**

### **ACF Region III Head Start/Fatherhood Monthly Conference Call**

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Thursday, January 5, 2006</b>
<b>Time:</b>	<b>10:00 am – 11:00 am</b>
<b>Call in Number:</b>	<b>(888) 452-0455</b>
<b>Passcode:</b>	<b>"FATHERHOOD"</b>

**Presenter(s):** Dr. Thomas A. Gordon, Ph.D.  
Dr. Maya K. Gordon, Ph.D.

**Topic(s):** "Co-Parenting – Male/Female Relationships"

**Who Should Participate:**

ACF Region III Head Start Program Directors, Staff, Parents, Policy Council and Board Members

**Purpose of the Conference Call Series:**

To provide a forum for Head Start Parents, Policy Council and Board Members, Program Directors and Staff to learn and share Fatherhood/Male Involvement programming strategies and additional information on related topics. The conference calls are also intended to provide peer to peer learning opportunities and exchange of lessons learned amongst Head Start grantees with respect to Fatherhood/Male Involvement strategies.

**Attention:** The speaker will take questions 20 minutes prior to the end of the call. You will be muted until that time.

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**[http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/region3/program\\_info/fatherhood.html](http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/region3/program_info/fatherhood.html)**

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### ABOUT

#### Thomas A. Gordon, Ph.D.



Thomas A. Gordon, Ph.D. is the Founder and Principal of TAGA Consulting.

Tom Gordon has 35+ years of executive, enterprise, and systems performance experience in leadership development, change strategy, conflict resolution, cultural competencies, team-building, and organizational dynamics. Tom partners with clients to facilitate best practices clarity, personal accountability, and sustainable leadership impact at all organizational levels. Through consultation and coaching, he assists clients to anticipate and respond decisively to challenges, design high impact goals, develop the resolve and steps to achieve them, and establish the systems to track and reinforce their progress. He leverages expertise in systems thinking, communications, and human dynamics to help his clients deliver distinctive leadership solutions to the complex challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup> century workplace.

Tom has extensive consultation experience in aerospace and defense, banking, construction, education, energy, entrepreneurial, healthcare and biomedical, legal, manufacturing, pharmaceutical, retail consumer goods, and telecommunications domains as well as the public sector. In addition to executive coaching, he has advised on large-scale change initiatives –including designing and implementing strategic diversity initiatives, synergy assessments, team-building, competency modeling, leadership presentations, seminars, and retreats.

Tom founded and serves as Principal of his own successful, nationwide consulting practice, TAGA Consulting (TAGA). In 1975, Tom created TAGA to design and deliver collaborative, customized, systems effectiveness seminars and consultation. The Firm deploys highly seasoned professionals –diverse in age, gender, race, ethnicity, physical ability, sexual orientation, linguistic skills, academic and business experience –to conduct and facilitate systems change; culturally competent development and counsel; performance-enhancing and capacity-building leadership solutions.

In his role as coach and consultant to senior leadership, Tom has reinvigorated the perspective and energy of seasoned executives, accelerated the integration process for new ones, counseled valuable leaders to address the problems and challenges that would have otherwise derailed their careers, and guided them through assignments that propelled their personal and professional growth. Tom adopts a wide variety of assessment methodologies to focus change efforts. He also couples his assessment expertise with real world feedback processes as well as his considerable academic, business, and organizational experience to provide the most effective insight and advice.

#### **Education**

A licensed psychologist, Tom graduated *cum laude* from Harvard University; earned his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Michigan; and completed post-doctoral mass media and conflict resolution study at the University of Pennsylvania/Annenberg School of Communications.

Tom's psychologist career spans 35+ years –as college professor, as health and mental health systems manager, as psychotherapist, and now as advisor to organizations on a wide range of leadership, change, and performance challenges. His faculty affiliations have included: The University of Michigan, Temple University,

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The University of Pennsylvania, Antioch College, Goddard College, Department of Psychiatry/Thomas Jefferson University, and Family Medicine/Medical University of South Carolina. He lectures, consults, and delivers interactive seminars and speeches to varied Fortune 500 corporate, civic, university, military, health and mental health enterprises, and governmental clients.

Tom is past Treasurer of The Association of Black Psychologists and ex-President of its Delaware Valley chapter. He is married, the father of 5 adults, and grandfather to 4 young children. Tom is an avid, lifelong learner: He travels globally for cross-cultural study and exchange, has coached pre-adolescent basketball, speaks Spanish and Swahili, plays tenor saxophone, and mentors rising business and social science professionals.

### **ABOUT Maya A. Gordon, Ph.D.**

Maya A. Gordon, Ph.D. is a graduate of Spelman College. She holds M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in Developmental Psychology from the University of Michigan. She completed her post-doctoral study of mass media and self-esteem at Wellesley College. Maya is married and the mother of two young daughters.

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